

# MINIMUM REQUIRED TO: **Demolish an Existing Building or Structure**

This information bulletin describes the minimum items required to obtain demolition permits for residential and commercial dwellings. For clarification or additional information for a specific project call (912)651-6530 or visit the Development Services Department Permit Center at 5515 Abercorn Street.

#### I FORMS TO COMPLETE

All demolition projects must be submitted with a **Building Permit Application**. The permit must have the property identification number, address, contact numbers for contractor and owner information, number of stories, and the signature of the person filling out the application.

## II Sewer Disconnection, Water Meter Retrieval, and Tree Protection

A Demolition Permit will not be issued until the Sewer, Water and Park & Tree departments have contacted the Development Services Department approving the project. To prevent debris from entering the sanitary sewer system, a Georgia licensed plumber must cap the sewer lateral. The plumber must sever the sewer lateral at the property line, and then call for an inspection from Sewer Maintenance at (912) 351-3898. The plumber must leave the disconnect open until it has been inspected. If there is a septic tank, the tank can either be removed or fill in the space. This too must be inspected. The plumber is required to contact the Water Department at (912) 651-6593 and coordinate the collection of the existing water meter. The contractor must contact the Park and Tree Department at (912) 651-6610 to review tree protection procedures.

### III Utility Location

Dig safely. Call 1-800-282-7411 for utility location.

#### IV EPD – Asbestos & Lead Regulations

Georgia Asbestos Regulations require written notification to the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) 10 days prior to demolition and asbestos/lead inspection prior to any renovation of any facility. Contact the EPD by phone at (404) 363-7026 or by email at <a href="https://www.epa.gov/abestos">www.epa.gov/abestos</a> (www.gaepd.org).

#### V Soil Erosion Control

For commercial projects, contact the Stormwater Department for soil erosion control requirements at (912) 650-7855.

#### VI Rodent Certification

Obtain a certification from a licensed exterminator indicating that rodent extermination services have been initiated at least two weeks prior to the planned demolition.

#### VII Dumpster

Make sure you have a dumpster to dispose of the debris. Call (912) 651-6579 to obtain a dumpster from the City of Savannah.

#### VIII PERMIT FEES

Permit Fees are based on the estimated construction valuation and number of stories and must be paid at the time the permit is issued. For additional information on the fee structure, see the City of Savannah Revenue Ordinance, or contact the Development Services Department at (912) 651-6530.